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1. The Ural Army, an organization created by the Ministry of Interior, assists the Militia in maintaining public order and guards public buildings such as the Ministry of War, etc. Soldiers are accepted in the Ural Army only upon recommendation by the Communist Party. The Ural Army headquarters are located in barracks on 9 September Road, 60 meters beyond the streetcar stop on the No. 5 Krasno Selo line.
2. The uniform of Ural Army personnel, which is similar to that of medical officers, is dark green and has a blue stripe down the side of the trousers. The epaulets are the same size and shape as those for the Army and are blue, with dark green stripes and borders to denote the various ranks. The officers, noncommissioned officers and men have their ranks designated in the same manner as the Bulgarian Army. The epaulets of officers have a gold background with stripes and blue borders. The officers, noncommissioned officers, and men have blue Soviet-type caps with a red ribbon band and a red star on the front.

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